



Cracklin' Static

December 2025 Edition

**SNARS Treasury Closing Balances
As of 11/20/2025**

Operating: \$5,032
Convention \$4,102
Self Insurance \$17,065
Savings \$6,668
Paypal \$702
Total \$33,570
Net Income/Year \$5,510
Net Income/Month \$365
Memberships –

Donations
General: \$2000
Members \$721
Total \$2,721

Notes:
Donated \$500 for John Byerly's Service
Deposited \$266 in 50/50 earning
Transferred \$1,000 from Paypal to Operating
Paid 2025 Insurance Premium: \$1,043

Membership as of November 24, 2025
Extra 139 38%
Technician 100 27%
General 111 30%
Advanced 13 4%
No License 5 1%
Total 368

SNARS members
ARRL: 229 62%
Life members ARRL: 31 8%
SNARS ARRL Members 259 70%
Volunteer Examiners (VE's): 45 12%

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SNARS CALENDAR

SNARS Breakfast hybrid meeting (in-person & on Zoom)

Saturday, December 6, 2025.
7:00am Breakfast Jacks Coffee Shop #2
8:00am Business Meeting & Presentation
Register <https://snars.org/monthly-meeting/>

Ham Radio Elmering Night

on Zoom 7:00 PM Monday December 15, 2025.
[Click Here To Register](#)

Reno QRP Group Meeting

Tuesday, December 16th, 11am – 12pm, Jack's Coffee Shop #2, 605 N Wells Ave, Reno, NV. Contact Ed, WD7Y WD7Y@sbcglobal.net for more info. If cancelled, it will be announced on the SNARS noon net.

SNARS Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 10th, 6:00PM.
Location and mode Chin Chin, Sparks, and on Zoom.

Next month's SNARS Breakfast & Hybrid Meeting

January 3rd, 2026, 7 AM (Zoom 8 AM)
Location: Jack's Coffee Shop #2 (and on Zoom)



PRESIDENT’S VOICE

SNARS President Barry Bettman, K6ST

Happy Holidays to all, and enjoy the ham radio bands in between the holiday goodies!



\$25
Register by
Dec. 7th 5p

Holiday Luncheon
Sunday, December 14th 11:30a
Choice of: Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad, Prime Rib Melt or Vegetable Penne



[Click Here To Register](#)

Please join SNARS for our Holiday Luncheon & Get Together
Wild River Grill,170 S. Virginia Street, Reno.

Sunday, December 14th, 2025 Social Hour – 11:30 AM No Host Bar / Appetizers / Social Mingling	Lunch to be served at 12:30 PM Available Entrees: (choose at the lunch, day of) • Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad • Prime Rib Melt • Fresh Vegetable Penne
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All Entrees Include a New York Cheesecake for Dessert.

A No Host Bar is available for Drinks.

You receive a raffle ticket for Drawings/Gifts at the luncheon.

\$25 per person for the Holiday luncheon
Registration closes at 5pm pt December 7, 2025.

REGISTER <https://form.jotform.com/243108729639162> – **NO WALK INS**



Thanks to all the SNARS members for a fantastic 2025 in ham radio.
Best of the new year 2026!

73, K6ST Barry
SNARS President
k6st@arrl.net



SNARS REPEATER UPDATES

Virginia Peak Repeater 147.030 + pl 123.0

Because of a severe desense issue, the 147.030 repeater is currently in a cross-band configuration and does not function as a normal repeater. Users of the Virginia Peak repeater will not be able to hear another station also using the Virginia Peak repeater. It is still connected to the other repeaters in the SNARS Linked Repeater System so you can communicate with other users heard coming through 147.030. NOTE: If you use the 147.030 repeater, when you unkey the mic you will not hear any repeater hang time (no beep / no squelch tale), but you will still be heard on the other repeaters. The 147.030 repeater will remain in this mode until the desense issue can be resolved.

Peavine Peak Repeater 147.210 + pl 100.0

Over the last week, there have been some intermittent interference issues on the 147.210 repeater; as a result, the repeater may be offline periodically to circumvent the issues. The interference appears to be coming from an inappropriate use and attempt to cross-band to the 147.210 repeater.

SNARS Noon Net frequencies

If the SNARS Linked Repeater systems are down, then use the official backup repeater frequency 147.390 + pl 100.0 for the Noon Net. If you don't hear the noon net NCO (net control operator) on the SNARS Linked Repeater systems, then go to 147.390 + pl 100.0 repeater that seems to have mostly good coverage in the greater Reno/Sparks basin.

SNARS HAM RADIO ELMERING NIGHT



Monday December 15, 2025 at 7:00pm pt on Zoom

Breakout Topics: Goals for 2026 • VHF / UHF Analog Digital • DMR / Fusion / Dstar

Registration:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ldO-orz8uHNDRXnLIRl6LiMqJQ_E5opjG

Join us on SNARS Telegram Channel

Visit <https://snars.org/telegram>



Our official channel for members to communicate with each other via chat, ask questions and get the latest information about the club, repeater status and amateur radio.



Help Pass The HOA Legislation

Eliminate HOA Prohibitions on Amateur Radio Antennas!

Free the Antenna - Click Now!



Help Pass The HOA Legislation To Eliminate HOA Prohibitions on Amateur Radio Antennas!!! Free The Antenna!!!

HOW CAN I HELP?

By sending a letter to each of your Congressional Representatives and your Senators. Is my individual letter important?
YES — Representatives and Senators rely on constituent input to decide which bills to support. Your voice counts.

BACKGROUND

The ARRL has successfully obtained Congressional support — both in the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate — to introduce legislation that, if passed, will eliminate HOA/private land use restrictions that prohibit Amateur Radio operators from installing antennas at their residence.

WHAT ARE THE BILLS?

- U.S. House: H.R. 1094 – Introduced by August Pfluger (R-TX) and Joe Courtney (D-CT)
- U.S. Senate: S. 459 – Introduced by Roger Wicker (R-MS) and Richard Blumenthal (D-CT)

HOW DO I SEND MY LETTERS?

Enter your US FCC-issued amateur radio call sign in the link below
Your address, zip code and email address will automatically be filled in.
If any part of your information is incorrect, please update it.
When you are finished—click on the SEND button to send your letters.

Please help out. Click on <https://send-a-letter.org/hoa/> and put in your callsign to send your letter. All USA hams are encouraged to do this please!



VOLUNTEERING

Thanks to all the SNARS members who have helped this special service club thrive this year. In appreciation!!!



SIERRA NEVADA AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

PO BOX 7727 Reno NV 89510

Yearly Dues: \$40.00 Individual • \$50.00 Family

SNARS Wide Area Linked System

147.030 + PL 123.0	Sparks, Fernley, Fallon	
147.210 + PL 100.0	Reno, Sparks	
147.150 + PL 123.0	Lake Tahoe, Truckee, Carson	
146.925 –PL 123.0	Lovelock, Fallon	
146.670 –PL 123.0	Winnemucca	
444.875 + PL 100.0	Yerington	
444.125 + PL 123.0	Reno Sparks (coming soon)	

DMR Systems

444.925 + CC 1	Reno, Sparks	
444.825 + CC 1	Dayton, Fallon, Carson	
443.925 + CC 1	Lake Tahoe, Truckee, Carson	
443.950 + CC 1	Incline Village	
442.875 + CC 1	Sparks, Fernley, Fallon	
442.850 + CC 1	Downtown Reno	
441.950 + CC 1	Fallon, Fernley	

Fusion Systems

146.610–DGID 28	Reno, Carson, Dayton	
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Packet / APRS

145.050 – RNO	Reno, Carson, Dayton	
145.050 – ROSE	Lake Tahoe, Truckee. Carson	
144.390 – TOULON	Lovelock, Fallon	

Standalone Systems

147.390 + PL 100.0	Reno, Carson, Dayton	
443.075 + PL 123.0	Reno, Carson, Dayton	
927.0875 + PL 114.8	Reno, Carson, Dayton	



Online



Offline



Not Linked

Weekdays on the SNARS Linked System

- 147.030 + PL 123 – Sparks/Fernley
- 147.150 + PL123.0 – Lake Tahoe / Truckee
- 147.210 + PL 100.0 – Reno
- 444.875 + PL 100.0 – Yerington
- 146.925 – 123.0 – Lovelock / Fallon
- 146.67 – PL 123.0 – Winnemucca

If the SNARS Linked System is down for the Noon Net use Backup: 147.390 + PL 100.0 – Ophir Peak (Reno, Sparks, Carson City, Dayton)

Monday through Friday @ 12:00pm

Open to all amateur radio operators. A general informational net for the amateur radio community of Northern Nevada and Eastern California. Radio Checks and Questions are welcomed.

Nets on the SNARS Linked Systems

147.210 + 100.0 | 147.030 + 123.0 | 147.150 + 123.0
147.670 – 123.0 | 146.925 – 123.0 | 444.875 + 100.0

- SNARS Noon | Net Mon–Fri @ 12:00pm
- ERC Net for NV and Northern CA | Monday @ 9:15pm
- N. Western NV ARES Net | Thursday @ 7:30pm
- Northern Nevada Preppers Net | Wednesday @ 8:00PM
- Hospital Net | Friday @ 10:00AM

Nets on Simplex/HF

- Jefferson Noon Net | 7.204 LSB | Daily – 12:00pm
- 6 Meter Net | 50.350 USB | Tuesday – 8:00pm
- 2 Meter Weak Signal | 144.250 USB | Wednesday – 8:00PM
- 2 Meter Simplex Net | 146.500 FM | Thursday – 8:00PM
- 10 Meter Net | 28.350 USB | Sunday – 2:00PM



SNARS Weekly DMR Net

Tuesdays 8:00 PM

SNARS Talk Group 31328



SNARS IN-PERSON & ZOOM MEETING

Saturday, December 6th

In-Person Breakfast: 7am
SNARS Meeting (In-Person & Zoom): 8am

PRESENTATION:

"What is AM DX'ing?"
With KG6R JW
Bob Wien



JACK'S CAFE #2

605 N. Wells Ave, Reno NV

[View On Google Maps](#)

Register to join in person or via Zoom:

<https://snars.org/monthly-meeting/>

2025 Officers President..... Barry Bettman, K6ST Vice-President.....Krystal Nelson N6KDN Treasurer..... Doug Edmondo, W7DBE Secretary..... Anthony Marcin, W7XM Director Vacant Director Jim Shepherd, W6US Director Greg Krantz NT7Q		2025 Staff (cont'd) NVQSO Coordinator Jim Shepherd, W6US Historian Robin Maguire-Jones KF7VVE Tech Team Lead Pat Sheehan, W7DED Membership Kim Farnham, KG7TMA PIO Vacant VE Coordinator Krystal Nelson, N6KDN Meeting Greeter Bill Jones, AE7OX DMR Net Manager Anthony Marcin, W7XM Reno Ham Swap Wes Vick, KG7QXE Webmaster Erik Andreasen, K6CZH Club Sales Manager Vacant Equipment Manager Tyler Maggert, K7TDM	
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THE NAME OF THE GAME

By Jim Shepherd, W6US | nvjims@gmail.com

10 Meters

There is one HF band where every ham in the club has single sideband (SSB) voice privileges—the 10 meter band. From 28.300 up to 28.500 MHz using upper sideband (USB) every ham in the club can ragchew, pass traffic, contest, have nets, and most importantly, work DX. With a simple wire dipole that just costs a couple of dollars to build, you can talk around the world, sometimes...

10 meters is sensitive to the whims of propagation. It requires a good 'reflector' in the ionosphere. During the day, the F2 layer provides this and it is enhanced by good numbers of sunspots. At night, the F2 layer disappears and the band usually goes dead. There is also sporadic E propagation. It can also be used locally out to 40-50 miles even when the band is totally dead.

We have a net that is run locally on 10 meters every Sunday at 1400 hrs local on 28.350. This net can be interesting in times of good propagation when DX stations will join in on the fun. The net is a good place to start with your 10 meter operation.

Obviously, you will need a radio that will operate SSB on the 10 meter band. They range from very high end transceivers to radios like the Ranger that can be found for less than a good handheld. Novices and Technicians are limited to 200 watts power, but that is not a handicap for when the band is open, you can work Australia on 5 watts and get a S9 signal report... A HF mobile radio is probably the best starter radio as they usually have 100 watts, a decent receiver, and will let you get on the other HF bands consistent with your license class. A lot of them also do 6 Meters and even 2 meters and 70 cm!

A simple wire dipole is easy to construct, and it is easy to erect higher than half a wavelength above the ground (about 16'). The higher, the better as it will allow the signal to be propagated at a lower take off angle. Verticals are also effective—I have used a Hamstick™ mobile antenna to work the 10 Meter contest and came in 3rd place in the Nevada Section with lots of DX. The best setup is a multi element beam high on a tower, but we can all wish...

There are operating activities that can be a lot of fun. The ARRL 10 Meter contest is the second full weekend in December and there is a lot of activity. 10 meters can be run in a single operator, single band category in most big contests and you stand a really good chance of ending high in the Nevada Section results. This year the ARRL 10 meter contest starts at 0000z on December 13 and runs until 0000z on December 14. The exchange is simple, a signal report, usually 59, and your state. This is a great contest to start with as there will be lots of activity both here in the US and around the world. This can be done using SSB or CW—More information at <http://www.arrl.org/10-meter>.

If you are a SNARS club member and have never signed up with me to be put on the ARRL contest list, send me an email with your callsign and your 6 digit grid zone at nvjims@gmail.com by December 11, and I will add you to the list. In order for the club to get credit and a listing in QST you need to be on the contest list before an ARRL contest.

Another contest this month that can be run on 10 meters by Technicians is the FT Challenge. You get more points per contact with longer distances... your final score will be decided by the main scoring program when you submit your log. It runs from 1800z on December 6 to 2359Z on December 7. Full information is at <https://www.rttycontesting.com/ft-challenge/> If you are mic shy, this digital contest is a good way to get on the air. Technicians are allowed to use FT8/FT4 in the 28.000 to 28.300 MHz part of the 10 meter band. Be sure to read the Rules and FAQ pages before the contest.

Several times during the year the 10-10 Club has contests that are a lot of fun. For more information check out their website at <https://www.ten-ten.org/>

Mobile operation works well, and one memorable contact I had was a discussion about fishing when I was driving to fish Wildhorse while the ham on the other end was driving home from fishing at a local lake in Argentina. Since 10 meters is basically a daytime activity, it leaves the evening for family activities, and the night for sleeping!

10 meters has been very good lately, and contacts all around the world can be made with minimal equipment. In a few more years the propagation on 10 will drop, so take advantage of the good conditions today!



ARES NEWS & Event Calendar

WCARES^{Inc}

Washoe County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Inc.

PO BOX 13083 RENO, NV 89507 WWW.WASHOEARES.ORG

WC-ARES Monthly Update

Your source for ARES Emergency Communications News and Community Outreach **November Highlights & December Preview – 2025 Edition**

November Highlights

Nevada Day Parade – November 1 WC-ARES volunteers proudly supported the Nevada Day Parade, providing communications along the route. Operators from multiple counties, ARES groups, and amateur radio clubs worked together to ensure smooth coordination and highlight the strength of our radio community.

Statewide Hospital Exercise – November 12 Washoe County ARES participated in the statewide hospital exercise, part of the ShakeOut drill. Radio operators from St. Mary's, Northern Nevada Public Health, Incline Village Community Hospital, Tahoe Forest Hospital, and WC-REOC collaborated to:

- Test multiple communication modes: HF, DMR, Fusion, and statewide EOC frequencies
- Successfully transmit a message via Winlink

This exercise strengthened interoperability and readiness across counties.

Shield's Turkey Trot – November 27 ARES operators provided clear communications between station captains, event coordinators, and emergency responders, ensuring safety and enjoyment for all participants.

- The 2-mile Marina stroll brought holiday cheer and scenic views
- The traditional 10k was paused due to Sparks Blvd construction, but spirits remained high with crisp fall weather and strong community turnout

December Preview

WC-ARES Monthly Training

- **Date:** Saturday, December 6, 2025
- **Time:** 10:00 AM
- **Location:** REOC – 5195 Spectrum Blvd, Reno

Visitors are welcome! Join us for skill-building, networking, and preparedness training. *Note: No community events are scheduled for December.*

Final Notes

Thank you to all ARES members, SNARS members, and volunteers for your service and support throughout the year. Your dedication keeps our community connected and safe. Wishing you a joyful holiday season filled with peace and good health

Arlan Duwayne Robinson (KA7ZAU)

ARES- Washoe County Emergency Coordinator

Cell: (775) 233-3530

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SHORT TAKES

By Jim Shepherd, W6US

Contest Calendar

The State QSO Parties are done for the year. The FT Challenge will be the first weekend and is a good time to get on the air with these digital modes. The Second weekend is the 10 meter contest and is available to all licensed hams with lots of activity both here and around the world. This and other contest information can be found at <https://www.contestcalendar.com/contestcal.php>

DX

With the holidays, there are lots of expeditions this month with operations in places like Monico, Surinam, Palau, Maldives, Bangladesh, and a bunch of other locations, especially during the 10 Meter contest. More information can be found at <https://www.ng3k.com/Misc/adxo.html>

Third Monday ZOOM Ham Radio Night

We will have our popular Ham Radio Elmering Nights via ZOOM to get your questions answered. It will be held at 7pm on Monday, 15 December. More information, including the link will be published before that date.

Hamfests/Events

Nothing in Nevada, Arizona, and California at this time.....

This event will be of value to those hams interested in VHF/UHF Digital operations...

Utah Digital Communications Conference 02/28/2026

Location: Conference Center at Miller Campus 9750 South 300 West, Sandy, UT 84070

Website: <https://utah-dcc.square.site/>

Sponsor: Utah DCC, Utah VHF Society

Talk-In: 146.62(-) No Tone

Public Contact: John Jacobs , W7DBO 1251 S 350 W Lehi, UT 84043 Phone: 801-641-8162

Email: johnwjacobs@gmail.com

Results Are Out for the Nevada QSO Party!

Certificates and results have been posted at <http://nvqso.com/results/2025-results/> Participation was a little down this year with a conflict with another event. Unfortunately, 6 of the 17 Nevada counties were not activated. Conditions were good, and those that participated had good scores. As many of you know, I have been looking for someone to take over running the contest, but no one has stepped up. I have done this for 8 years, and I need to move on. As a result, future Nevada QSO Parties are being cancelled.

Jim Shepherd W6US

NAME THAT RIG

By Howie Holden, WB2AWQ



Wondering what this monster might be?
Think you know the answer?

[Click here to see what this is!](#)

(Or scroll to the very bottom of the newsletter)

YOUTH INVOLVEMENT



SNARS & Scouting America to start "Radio Venture Crew"

We are excited to begin the new "Radio Venture Crew" between SNARS and Scouting America - Nevada Council. This can be an exciting opportunity for everyone to help support the next generation of youth in our amateur radio hobby.

More info:

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/venturing/>

FROM THE NEW EDITOR

As the new editor, I thought I'd take a moment to introduce myself. I'm Ken, KB2SFS. I'm a harmonic of your previous editor, Howie, WB2AWQ. I have 2 children (Elliot, 7 & Sully, 3) AND a wife, so I have zero free time, but have made every effort to at least participate in a paddle session with Dad every ARRL Field Day. In the last 30+ years, we've only missed a handful of times to operate together.

Howie has been doing newsletters for radio clubs for almost that same 30+ years. His original gig was at our old club, 10-70, in New Jersey (now defunct). At its peak, the club was strong, but never as strong as SNARS. I'm sure letting go of this role is a difficult, yet welcome decision to enjoy the sunny days here in Reno. He's not completely off the hook, as I've volun-told him to continue doing the "Name That Rig" piece.

I'll post some good finds from time to time, but you can always reach me if you have something fitting for the newsletter at kb2sfs@snars.org. - 73, Ken.

Fun Stuff For December

ARRL 160-Meter Contest

12/2 2200 UTC - 12/7 1600UTC

<https://www.arrl.org/160-meter>

ARRL 10-Meter Contest

12/13 0000 UTC - 12/14 2359 UTC

<https://www.arrl.org/10-meter>

ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW

12/21 1800 UTC - 12/21 2359 UTC

<https://www.arrl.org/rookie-roundup>

Stew Perry Top Band Challenge

12/27 1500 UTC - 12/28 1500 UTC

<https://www.kkn.net/stew/>

[Click Here To Check The Latest Contest Corral](#)

DX This Month

Here are the upcoming DX events for December!
This is all of them for this month, but you can see future opportunities to work the world [here](#).

Date	Location	Call
12/1-12/10	Maldives	8Q7HT
12/7-1/5	Guatemala	TG
12/10-12/17	Palau	T88AC
12/21/12/27	Bangladesh	S21DX
12/21-1/2	Surinam	PZ5OZ
12/26-1/3	Azerbaijan	4K
12/30-1/3	Mariana Is	KH0
12/30-1/3	Monaco	3A

Reno QRP

Slow Speed CW Net

NEXT NET SESSIONS WILL BE on December 4th and 18th, at 11AM Pacific STANDARD Time. As always, check with WD7Y@sbcglobal.net to confirm times.

Target frequency 7.045 MHz, if busy search somewhere near that frequency.

THE FOLLOWING SHOULD ALWAYS BE IN YOUR REPORT:

NAME ,RST, LOCATION, RIG, POWER, ANTENNA.
REMEMBER TO INCLUDE RST IN YOUR REPORT
Feel free to add something else in your exchange.
Take some time to report RST for other OP's or anything else that comes to mind.

Sharing information about you & your equipment will accomplish two things. First, It gives you and everybody else practice sending and copying. Second, It is nice to spend time on the air with your friends. Consider this a QRP meeting on the air.

Relax and have some airtime fun with your friends.

73/72 Ed/WD7Y

SNARS Silent Keys

IN MEMORY OF SNARS MEMBERS WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY.

If you know of a SNARS member or friend of SNARS who has passed away recently, submit it to me, KB2SFS@snars.org, or any Board member for verification and inclusion on this page.



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2025
Chin Chin and Via Zoom

1. Call to order and roll call at 6:00 PM

Board of Directors:

Barry Bettman, K6ST	Vacant Director	Doug Edmondo, W7DBE P
Anthony Marcin, W7XM	Krystal Nelson, N6KDN P	Jim Shepherd, W6US P
Greg Krantz, NT7Q Z		

Guest(s) In attendance:
Bob Nelson, KA6NSN, Pat Sheehan W7DED

2. Approval of Minutes - Discussion/Action

Approve October 2025 Meeting Minutes -

3. Approval of Agenda - Discussion/Action

Approve Agenda - Motion by Doug, Second by Krystal - Motion passes

4. Reports

A. President's Report -

- a. Barry discussed/presented the forming of a Scout Venture Crew and will post the proposal on telegram board channel and discuss further and possible action at the December meeting.
- b. Barry motioned Renaming of field day in honor of John Byerly. - Motion by Barry, Second by Doug, Motion Passes.

B. Secretary Report -

- a. Membership Report - Tony discussed we have 369 Members, Ordered membership badge, letter supplies.
- b. Elections 2025/2026 - Tony discussed the

C. Treasurer -

- a. Report of ending financial balances - Doug reported approx \$36,000 in the bank accounts, donated 500.00 to John Byerly Memorial, Insurance renewed at 1,043.00 for the year.

D. Technical Team - Pat discussed the status of the systems with DMR being moved to Lobdell from Carson City, John Abrott donated a 6 channel combiner allowing the UHF and DMR repeater and also another repeater at the site onto a TX and RX antenna system. The Internet has been installed by Sky Fiber at the site. Discussed the issues around power outages at Peavine and the solutions being set up for future outages. And discussed various other sites and related tasks/projects to be completed soon.
Jim reported the ATV is working well around the valley. Barry discussed the Incline DMR repeater is offline and will be moved to the shed for now as a spare.

E. Control Operators / Trustee - Pat reported he will set up another class soon.

F. Events -

- a. NVQSO Party - Jim reported he is in the process of scoring this year's logs and has preliminary completed. Will work on the sending of the awards soon.

G. Education & Youth Activities - Barry discussed Kids Day coming up in January.

H. SNARS Noon Net and SNARS Digital Net - Barry reported the Noon Net is going well. There are 6 net controllers. Digital net is going well and filling in when Net controllers are not able to be there. 146.61/C4FM/Fusion input into the system working well.

5. Old Business

A. Update on ChromeBooks and ExamTools - tabled to next meeting due to time.

6. New Business

A. Call for Nomination for vacant director position - Discussion/Action Item - Tony discussed the process

- B. SK Donation Option Discussion/Action Item - Doug discussed adding a SK donation option on the donation form. The donations will be tracked separately for use in future uses for Silent Keys.
- C. Renaming Field Day in Honor of Byerly Discussion/Action Item - See Presidents Report.
- D. Forming of new Scout Venture Crew - See Presidents Report.
- E. Discussion on succession planning, expanding access to the websites and other programs, setting up a calendar of expiration/renewal dates, bringing in new folks as 'trainees' to fill positions, expanding the tech committee, etc. - Jim discussed the various topics, no action items were presented and only discussion was had.

7. Board member and Public Comments

During this time members and board of directors may speak on any topic regardless if the item was agendized.

8. Adjournment - Action

- A. Next Meeting: December 10, 2025 at 6:00PM. Location to be Announced
- B. Call For Adjournment.- 7:16PM

NAME THAT RIG ANSWER:

This is it, Hallicrafters Big One, the SR-2000 Hurricane Transceiver, a mammoth 2KW Beast. Boasting 19 tubes, including a pair of 8122s as a final amplifier. Built first in 1965, last in 1972. The Hurricane SR-2000 features 2KW input (900W on CW) 80 thru 10 meters (there were no WARC bands in 1965). 2Kc stability, 150 Hz drift, 50 dB carrier suppression, 60dB spurious suppression, noise blanker, selectivity to beat the band, sensitivity to match, RIT (4Kc minimum) etc. If you owned one, you knew what a great rig it was, still is! The Hallicrafters SR-2000 Hurricane. Just fantastic for 1965! And sold in its first year at \$1095.00. There is no more powerful transceiver, not now or planned, by any manufacturer! I can only dream....WB2AWQ@ARRL.net (Editor's Note: \$1,095 in 1965 is about \$11,000 today)

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